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SUBJ: NIMITZ PORT VISIT OSLO

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SEPT 75

1. MINISTER OF DEFENSE FOSTERVOLL INFORMED ME SEPTEMBER 8 DURING LUNCHEON IN HONOR OF DEPUTY SECRETARY THAT HE IS 100 PERCENT IN FAVOR OF BRINGING THE NIMITZ INTO OSLO ON SCHEDULE AND SAID "AFTER WHAT WE HAVE BEEN THROUGH, WE COULD NOT POSSIBLY ALTER PLANS FOR THE VISIT NOW." MINISTER WAS VISIBLY REASSURED BY JUDGEMENT EXPRESSED IN REF B.

2. I ALSO UNDERSTOOD THAT THE CHIEF OF THE NORWEGIAN DEFENSE STAFF SHARES THE MINISTER'S VIEW.

3. ON THE SUBJECT OF VIEWS EXPRESSED BY THE NORWEGIAN PILOTS ASSOCIATIONS (REF A), IT APPEARS THAT PILOTS ARE ACTING IN RESPONSIBLE MANNER REFLECTING UNDERLYING BEHAVIOR OF PILOTS. SOME OF THE MEMBERS OF THE
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PILOTS ASSOCIATIONS DO NOT, IN FACT, SHARE THE OBJECTIONS

ABOUT SAFETY ALREADY VOICED BUT ARE RELUCTANT TO
EXPRESS THEMSELVES PUBLICLY. THERE IS OF COURSE POSSIBILITY OF
UNDERSIRABLE POLITICAL FALLOUT IF RESERVATIONS OF PILOTS'
ASSOCIATIONS ARE LEAKED.

4. I AM PERSONALLY GRATIFIED AT THE NORWEGIAN VIEWPOINT
EXPRESSED BY THE NORWEGIAN MINISTER OF DEFENSE AND KNOW
THAT THE VISIT OF THE USS NIMITZ TO OSLO WILL BE AN
OUTSTANDING SUCCESS, VERY MUCH IN THE INTEREST OF THE US-
NORWEGIAN RELATIONS AND A CREDIT TO THE US NAVY.
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